

## RAPPAHANNOCK VALLEY FAIR

The Board of Directors Organize for a Future Exhibition.

### THE COMMITTEES APPOINTED

The Mary Washington Hospital Association Elects Officers—Will Build an Annex in the Spring—Rev. John Meredith Goes to Accomac.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., Feb. 5.—A meeting of the new Board of Directors of the Rappahannock Valley Agricultural Fair Society, held here, selected September 23d, 24th and 25th as the dates for the next annual fair and outlined work for the exhibition, which it is contemplated to make the best the society ever held. Captain M. B. Rowe, who was previously elected president, announced the following committees for the year.

**STANDING COMMITTEES.**  
Finance—St. George Fitzhugh, H. F. Crismond, T. McCracken; Fair Grounds, Buildings and Renting—E. D. Cole, A. M. Garner, S. J. Quinn, T. F. Morrison, Oliver Eastburn, Henry Warden; Premium List—S. J. Quinn, A. P. Rowe, C. H. Harkamp, J. P. Corbin, St. George Fitzhugh, J. R. Rawlings; Special Premiums—G. W. Shepherd, A. P. Rowe, J. R. Rawlings, Henry Warden, S. S. Bradford, A. T. Embrey; Privileges—S. J. Quinn, E. D. Cole, A. T. Embrey, A. P. Rowe, Henry Dammell; Race Track—T. McCracken, C. H. Harkamp, E. D. Cole, T. J. Haydon, H. B. Lane, A. M. Garner; To Select Judges—S. J. Quinn, A. P. Rowe, S. S. Bradford, T. F. Morrison, J. P. Corbin, St. George Fitzhugh; Invitations, Speakers and Receptions—H. F. Crismond, J. P. Corbin, George W. Shepherd, T. McCracken, J. M. Griffin, A. T. Embrey, Henry Dammell, T. F. Morrison, H. B. Lane, Henry Warden, J. W. Jones, Alex Pratt, J. B. Gray.

**SEPT. OF DEPARTMENT.**  
Department 1—Horses and Mules—H. B. Lane, T. J. Haydon, Henry Warden, C. H. Harkamp, S. S. Bradford, directors in charge; Department 2—Cattle—S. S. Bradford, T. F. Morrison, James W. Jones, Henry Dammell, directors in charge; Department 3—Sheep—Alex Pratt, J. J. Sale, T. J. Haydon, Oliver Eastburn, directors in charge; Department 4—Swine—J. B. Gray, Alex Pratt, Oliver Eastburn, J. R. Aldrich, directors in charge; Department 5—Poultry—J. M. Griffin, directors in charge; Department 6—Farm Products—T. F. Morrison, H. F. Crismond, Oliver Eastburn, J. R. Aldrich, Henry Warden, J. J. Sale, directors in charge; Department 7—Domestic Products—A. P. Rowe, J. M. Griffin, Alex Pratt, Henry Dammell, J. P. Corbin, directors in charge; Department 8—Manufactures—Henry Warden, James R. Rawlings, G. W. Shepherd, J. M. Griffin, directors in charge; Department 9—Trades of Special St. George Fitzhugh, T. McCracken, A. P. Rowe, G. W. Shepherd, J. P. Corbin, directors in charge; Department 10—Sports, Diversions and Programmes—E. D. Cole, A. P. Rowe, J. W. Jones, C. H. Harkamp, George W. Shepherd, A. T. Embrey, J. B. Gray, directors in charge.

**MARY WASHINGTON HOSPITAL.**  
The Mary Washington Hospital Association has elected the following officers: Mrs. J. M. Fleming, president; Mrs. J. J. Richards, vice president; Mrs. J. S. Dill, secretary; Miss Nettie Fitzhugh, treasurer. The term of four members of the Board of Managers having expired, the following were elected: Mrs. W. S. White, Mrs. C. W. Edington, Mrs. J. S. Dill, Mrs. C. W. Edington. The association is in excellent condition. Only three deaths occurred at the institution during the past year. The building of the annex will be started in the early spring.

A meeting of the tax-payers of Stafford county will be held at Stafford C. H. on Monday, February 17th, for the purpose of perfecting a suitable bill for the county, which the Legislature will be asked to pass.

Rev. John Meredith, who has just resigned his charge at Paris, Ky., is visiting his parents in Stafford county, and will in a few days go to Accomac county, where he has accepted a call to an Episcopal church.

A farm, belonging to the estate of the late Spencer Coleman, in Spotsylvania county, has been sold to Mrs. Samuel Fitzhugh, of Nelson county, for \$3,800.

**THE DYNAMITE DAGGORY.**  
The Mayor of Norfolk Orders Her Removal from the Harbor.  
(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 5.—Mayor of Norfolk Nathaniel Beaman, when his attention was called to the fact that the Norwegian steamer Daggory, with 1,500 cases of dynamite aboard, was lying very close to Norfolk and Portsmouth, needlessly imperiling property and life, wrote a letter to the Board of Harbor Commissioners. The Mayor asked that the Daggory be moved away, and he meant that this should come to pass promptly, or his letter misstates his meaning.

The Board of Harbor Commissioners then ordered the steamer removed.

She is off Lambert's Point, where the

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dynamite being discharged into a barge. It will be stored in some place where it will be safe, and Norfolk is relieved.

The dynamite was unloaded to-day.

### KILLED BY A WALL.

One Man Escapes Through a Door—Fires in Norfolk's Suburbs.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 5.—Stephen Wilson, colored, and Thomas Shaw, colored, were underminding a wall here this afternoon, which it was desired to demolish. The wall fell suddenly, killing Wilson. Shaw escaped through an open doorway in the wall.

Five two-story frame tenements, occupied by colored people, burned here this afternoon.

Mrs. Russell Denby's dairy at Lambert's Point burned last night, along with twenty-three cows and four horses. The property was partially insured.

The colored Masonic Temple was sold under foreclosure here to-day for \$4,700. It cost, exclusive of the site, \$8,400.

### DEADLOCK IN NORFOLK.

No Street Cars May Run Through Grubby Street Because of Ussie's Walls.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 5.—The walls of the Johnston China Company's store, burned January 21st, menace life, and street car system of the city is threatened because of the pass through Grubby Street. There is general complaint by citizens of the dilatoriness of the authorities in causing the streets to be opened. There is considerable china in the store, and Mr. Johnston has threatened to sue the city should it be damaged in the tearing down of the wall. He wants the wall left until his loss is adjusted, and there is a deadlock.

Some citizens laugh while others swear because of the situation.

### Affairs in Dinwiddie.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
DINWIDDIE, VA., Feb. 5.—All of the saw mills in this community have been shut down for the past week on account of the sleet and ice.

The hunters in this section are lamenting the close of the bird season.

The Episcopal rectory here is nearing completion, and will be quite an addition to the village.

A petition signed by all the prominent citizens of this place has been forwarded to the officials of the Southern Air Line, requesting them to have the through passenger trains stop here, as the present local schedule is not at all convenient.

Mr. John Hargrave, who has been very sick for several weeks, is now improving.

The Camp Manufacturing Company, the large lumber company of Franklin, Va., is locating a plant two miles south of here, at Holdsworth's Sliding. They will give employment to several hundred men.

### KILLED AT HIS POST.

Brakemen Run Down While Flagging His Train—Freight Wreck.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
BEDFORD CITY, VA., Feb. 5.—A brakeman named Brown, from Spout Spring, was run over and instantly killed by a freight train last night near the telegraph station of Irvine, about eight miles west of this place. The brakeman was last seen on the track flagging his train, which was approaching, but no one can tell how the accident occurred. It was only known after the train had passed when his mangled body was found on the track.

Early this morning, before sunrise, at nearly the same point, a freight wreck occurred, that delayed traffic about six hours. The east-bound local had entered the switch safely, when suddenly the rear cars jumped the track, the switch evidently having sprung, and seven cars are piled up and their contents scattered.

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J. G. CORLEY, Manager.

## THE MACHIAS HAS HURRY ORDERS

A Verdict for Damages Against an Electric Line.

### SURPRISING ACTION OF JURY

Could Not Agree on Punishment of Negro Guilty of Heinous Offences—A Tight-Rope Walker Cleared of an Ugly Charge, Free Delivery for Hampton.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Feb. 5.—The United States gunboat Machias arrived this morning and came up to Newport News for coal. She has received orders to proceed with speed to Pensacola. What she will do after reaching that port is unknown. She will probably find supplementary orders awaiting.

The jury in the case of Dr. W. B. Smith vs. Citizens' Railway, Light and Power Company, today brought in a verdict of \$500 for the plaintiff. Judge Bickstone overruled the motion for a new trial and the case will go to the Supreme Court. Dr. Smith had an altercation with one of the company's conductors, resulting in the arrest of the doctor and his subsequent discharge. He brought suit for \$3,000. The suit was one of the most bitterly fought this court has ever had. Colonel Charles T. O'Ferrall was leading counsel for the company, and Mr. R. G. Bickford for the plaintiff.

### CHARGE DISMISSED.

Chief of Police Johnson returned this morning from Richmond with Billy Nosemitch, a tightrope walker, charged with skipping out with a pocketbook belonging to Marie Monroe, an actress. The charge was dismissed when Billy was arraigned shortly after his arrival.

The Chesapeake Gun Club, a rather famous institution hereabouts, has been reconstituted and reorganized, with W. H. L. Kent as president. The club contains some of the best trap-shooters in the country.

Hampton town has its heart set on securing the free delivery of the mails within its limits, and this morning the Board of Supervisors of Elizabeth City county met and by unanimous decision decided to free delivery. The houses will be numbered, the streets will be lighted, the sidewalks will be put into good condition, and the names of the thoroughfares will be conspicuously posted on the corners.

The board at this meeting also decided that the county shall no longer be responsible for the cost of lighting and heating the county jail. This expense will hereafter be charged against the sheriff, following the recent decision in the case of Alexandria and a decision of much longer standing in regard to the Newport News jail.

### SURPRISE ACTION.

The jury in the case of Tom Murray, a negro tried in the Corporation Court this morning, today brought in a verdict for outrageous conduct, including indecent conduct on the street. Police Justice Brown fined him \$500 and sentenced him to jail for a year, this being the maximum penalty he could impose, though he would have liked him had been possible under the law.

The case was appealed and the fact of the disagreement of the jury is a surprise to all familiar with the features of the episode.

### DETERMINED ON GOOD ROADS

Amherst County Supervisors Will Spend the Surplus in Treasury for This Purpose.

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AMHERST, VA., Feb. 5.—Amherst county has something like \$10,000 in the treasury which the Supervisors want to spend in improving the county roads, and the Board adopted a resolution to-day requesting the Board of Public Works and Senator Bland Massie, the representatives from Amherst in the Legislature, to have an enabling act passed so that they can apply this surplus to good roads.

A resolution was also adopted expressing their gratification at the coming of the good roads train, over the Southern Railroad, through Amherst county, and tendering the managers of said Commission \$400 if they will stop in Amherst and give a specimen of their good work on the public road leading from Amherst Courthouse to the city of Lynchburg.

Everybody in Amherst county seems to be exercised on the subject of better roads, as nearly all of the tobacco, as well as wheat and corn that is raised in this county, and the greater portion of what goes from Nelson county is taken to market by the road wagons.

Everybody in Amherst county seems to be of vital importance to those who haul crops to market that there should be an improvement in the public highways.

The convict labor system, which has been adopted in Amherst, will go into effect soon as the weather opens up.

Under the contract made with the State the convicts can be gotten at any time between the 1st of January and the 1st of April of this year.

The Board has elected a general superintendent and guards, but the men will not be taken from the penitentiary as yet as the weather remains unfavorable.

County Judge C. J. Campbell, who has been confined to his home for the last ten days with the grip, was out to-day.

Captain Edgar Whitehead, a prominent citizen of Amherst Courthouse, has been confined to his room for more than a week.

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